

Governor Baldacci's
Task Force Promoting Safer Chemicals in Consumer Products and
Services
Friday, October 13, 2006 9:30-11:30 AM
Room 105 Cross Office Building, Augusta
MINUTES

Attendees

Task Force members: David Littell, Brian Dancause, Deborah Rice, Kathy Murray, Sharon Tisher, Nick Bennett, Mike Belliveau, Stacie Beyer, Mark Dobrovolny, Dana Graham, John Wise, Mindy Davis

Other Task Force: Dick Davies, Governors Senior Policy Advisor, Ginger Jordan-Hillier, staff

Guests: Mike Bilodeau UMO

Interested Parties: Patty Aho/ American Petroleum Institute, Stephen Davis/ Entrix Environmental Consultants, Jeremy Caron/DAFS, Steve Rosario American Chemistry Council

Tom's of Maine presentation and Q&A

Mark Dobrovolny, *Director of Product Supply Tom's of Maine*
Power Point attached

Tom's suggest that the formula for a sustainable values-based economic opportunity includes leadership, vision and beliefs.

Interface Inc. presentation and Q&A

Stacie Beyer, *Corporate Environmental Manager Interface, Inc*
Power Point Attached

Interface suggests that improved MSDS sheets would be helpful. Accuracy and completeness have been common concerns.

Consumers need to have product information in front of them at the time of purchase. The label is the place to do that. Look at UN Global Harmonization System for ideas.

Forest BioResearch presentation and Q&A

Mike Bilodeau, *Associate Director of Forest Bioproducts Research and Director of the Process Development Center at University of Maine at Orono*
Power Point Attached.

Mike will get back to us about funding opportunities he would like the Task Force to consider as a recommendation to the Governor

Discussion and Next Meetings

Determine if Nov 13 meeting can extend to 3 hours-Ginger will follow up.

Request to determine possible synergies with legislative R&D/Innovative Economy group and potential as a speaker-Ginger will follow up

Invite Peggy Schaffer to an upcoming meeting to speak on Maine Science and Technology Advisory Committee.